and Rs. 24,072.61 crores respectively. The Budget Estimates for 1999-2000 provides Rs. 27,964.14 crores. The channels of purchases are through Public Sector Undertakings, Ordnance Factories, indigenous as well as foreign private suppliers and Government owned foreign trading Agencies. The names of idigenous and foreign companies with whom major contracts have been entered into during the past so many years are under process of compilation for submission to C&AG and CVC.

Army Ultimatum for Handing over the Road at Hakimpet

609. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Army posted in IEME centre, Secunderabad, issued an ultimatum to hand over 3.5 kilometer stretch of road at Hakimpet;

(b) whether the road connects Karimnagar Highway at Shingaipally; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to extend the deadline till an alternative to the road is found?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (c) A kachha unmettled track falling in the danger zone of Army Firing Rang^ in Secunderabad connects Karimnagar Highway at Shingaipally. The CRPF is presently using this track. Since use of the track by CRPF is adversely affecting operation of the Firing Range, it has been agreed by CRPF and Government of Andhra Pradesh to construct an alternative road for use of the latter by 30.9.2000. Army has not given any ultimatum for handing over 3.5 km of this track.

Proposal to Buy Tanks from Russia

610. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India proposed to buy 300 tanks from Russia;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the delivery is expected?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (c) There is a proposal for procurement of Tanks from Russia, subject to

the performance of Tanks being-found satisfactory after trials in India/and also subject to conduct of negotiations in regard to prices and other terms and conditions of supply. Techno-Commercial Negotiations for procurement of Tanks have commenced.

Soldiers killed in Kargil War from Maharashtra

611. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of soldiers killed, injured and rendered totally handicapped from Maharashtra during Kargil operation with their details, district-wise separately;

(b) the details of relief provided from time to time to the families of the deceased soldiers, the injured soldiers and those rendered handicapped, in wars with Pakistan and China; and

(c) what is the future plan of Government to help those families and the injured soldiers and those rendered handicapped?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES); (a) to (c) The details of soldiers from Maharashtra who were killed during Kargil operation are as under:

Sl.No.	Army No.	Rank	Name	" District
1.	4550218K	Hav.	Suresh Ganpati Chauhan	Sangli
2.	6932439N	LNk	Khairnar Eknath Chaitram	Nasik
3.	2780240F	LNk	Shankar Raj Ram Shinde	Pune
4.	13620359A	Ptr	Patil Mahadav Namdo	Sangli
5.	4073854P	RFN	Sanap Subhash Ashrub	Beed
6.	10146540K	Sep	Desai Machindra Ramchander	Kolhapur

The State/District-wise details of injured and disabled soldiers are not being maintained. The families/next of kin of deceased soldiers and disabled soldiers of previous wars with Pakistan and China have been given financial relief from time to time, which include (i) special family pension/liberalised family pension and children allowance in accordance with the rules and orders